

REMARKS

The above changes to the claims have been made to cancel claims being prosecuted in separate applications. This Preliminary Amendment leaves claims 11-20 pending in the present application.

The prior application is assigned of record to International Business Machines Corp., Armonk, New York, at Reel 011975, Frame 0160.

Early and favorable prosecution on the merits is respectfully requested.

Please charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0510.

Respectfully submitted,



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